

# COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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March 06, 2012

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, California 90012

**Dear Supervisors:** 

**ADOPTED** 

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

43 March 6, 2012

SACHI A. HAMAI SACHI A. HAMAI EXECUTIVE OFFICER

AWARD OF A PUBLIC WORKS CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT
BEECH AVENUE WATERMAIN REPLACEMENT
IN THE CITY OF LANCASTER
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 5)
(3 VOTES)

#### **SUBJECT**

This action is to award a public works construction contract for Beech Avenue Watermain Replacement and authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to execute a contract for work in the City of Lancaster.

# IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD ACTING AS THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY WATERWORKS DISTRICT NO. 40, ANTELOPE VALLEY:

Award and authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to prepare the construction contract in the form previously approved by County Counsel, execute the contract, and establish the effective date following receipt of approved Faithful Performance and Labor and Material Bonds and insurance filed by the contractor for Project ID No. WWD4004047 – Beech Avenue Watermain Replacement, for construction of a 12-inch-diameter water transmission main replacement, in the City of Lancaster, to Sully-Miller Contracting Company, in the amount of \$664,450.

## PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended action is to obtain approval from your Board to award this construction contract and authorize the Director of Public Works (Director) or her designee to execute the contract and establish the effective contract date following receipt of approved Faithful Performance and Labor and Material Bonds and insurance filed by the contractor for this project.

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On November 8, 2011, Agenda Item 25, your Board approved the project, adopted the plans and specifications, called for bids to be received on December 6, 2011, and instructed the Executive Officer of the Board of Supervisors to advertise the project.

The enclosure includes the project description, the call for bids and bid opening dates, a tabulation of bids, and financial information. The certified record of receipt of bids and the original bid proposal are also enclosed for this project.

The recommended construction contract is necessary to execute a Board-directed and approved Department of Public Works (Public Works) project in support of operational missions. Your Board's approval of the recommended contract award and the subsequent execution of the contract will ensure the timely completion of the project.

# **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provisions of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1) and Community and Municipal Services (Goal 3). Awarding this contract will provide improved infrastructure to better serve the public and enhance the quality of life in the affected community.

# FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

This action will have no impact to the County General Fund.

The construction cost of \$664,450 is included in the Accumulative Capital Outlay Fund in the Fiscal Year 2011-12 of the Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40, Antelope Valley (N64).

The enclosure includes the amount of the recommended contract as compared with the engineer's estimate, the other bids received, and more detailed fiscal and financial information.

#### FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The contract agreements will be in the form previously reviewed and approved as to form by County Counsel. The recommended contract was solicited on an open-competitive basis and is in accordance with applicable Federal, State, and County requirements. The contractor is in compliance with the Chief Executive Officer's and your Board's requirements.

The award of this contract will not result in unauthorized disclosure of confidential information and will be in full compliance with Federal, State, and County regulations. This contract contains terms and conditions supporting your Board's ordinances, policies, and programs including, but not limited to: the County of Los Angeles' (County) Greater Avenues for Independence and General Relief Opportunities for Work Programs (GAIN and GROW), Board Policy No. 5.050; Contract Language to Assist in Placement of Displaced County Workers, Board Policy No. 5.110; Reporting of Improper Solicitations, Board Policy No. 5.060; Notice to Contract Employees of Newborn Abandonment Law (Safely Surrendered Baby Law), Board Policy No. 5.135; Contractor Employee Jury Service Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.203; Notice to Employees Regarding the Federal Earned Income Credit (Federal Income Tax Law, Internal Revenue Service Notice 1015); Contractor Responsibility and Debarment, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.202; the County's Child Support Compliance Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.200; the County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program Ordinance, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.206; Local

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Business Enterprise Preference Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.204; and the standard Board-directed clauses that provide for contract termination or renegotiation.

The State Public Contract Code requires the County to award construction contracts to a responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid, which is defined as the firm that: (1) submits the bid with the lowest cost; (2) is deemed by the County to be responsive to specific criteria under the solicitation including, but not limited to, licensure, bonding, and insurance requirements; and (3) is determined by the County to be a responsible bidder by exhibiting the capability, capacity, experience, trustworthiness, and financial wherewithal to perform the work required under the bid solicitation.

To ensure the contract is awarded to a responsible contractor with a satisfactory history of performance, bidders are required to report violations of the False Claims Act, criminal convictions, civil litigation, defaulted contracts with the County, complaints filed with the Contractor's State License Board, labor law/payroll violations, and debarment

actions. As provided for in Board Policy No. 5.140, the information reported by each respective contractor was considered before making this recommendation to award.

The plans and specifications include the contractual provisions, methods, and material requirements necessary for this project and are on file with Public Works.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

On November 8, 2011, Agenda Item 25, your Board found this project to be categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.

#### CONTRACTING PROCESS

The contract was solicited on an open-competitive basis in accordance with the provisions of the State Public Contract Code.

The State Labor Code requires contractors to pay prevailing wage rates to all persons employed on public works construction contracts. These rates are determined by the Department of Industrial Relations and include contributions for fringe benefits such as vacations, pension funds, training, and health plans for each employee.

To further increase contractor awareness of contracting opportunities with Public Works, this project was listed on the County website for upcoming bids. Public Works will review and approve the Faithful Performance and payment bonds filed by the contractor.

## **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

This construction contract will result in improved public works infrastructure in the communities where the work is scheduled.

#### CONCLUSION

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Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works, Construction Division.

Respectfully submitted,

**GAIL FARBER** 

Director

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**Enclosures** 

c: Chief Executive Office (Rita Robinson)
County Counsel
Executive Office
Internal Services Department (Countywide Contract Compliance)

# AWARD OF CONTRACT March 6, 2012

# <u>PROJECT ID NO. WWD4004047 – BEECH AVENUE WATERMAIN REPLACEMENT</u> (in the City of Lancaster) Supervisorial District 5

TYPE OF WORK: Construction of a 12-inch-diameter water transmission main replacement and the performance of other appurtenant work in the City of Lancaster.

\$ 672,950.00

CALL FOR BIDS DATE: November 8, 2011 (Agenda Item 25)

Low: Sully-Miller Contracting Company, a corporation

BID OPENING DATE: December 6, 2011

## **BID SUMMARY**:

2011	135 South State College Boulevard, Suite 400 Brea, California 92821 (714) 578-9600	Ψ 072,000.00
2	*J. A. Salazar Construction & Supply Corporation	\$ 743,530.40
3	+Garcia Juarez Construction, Inc.	\$ 837,302.20
4	*Miramontes Construction Company, Inc.	\$ 862,572.00
5	*B. V. Construction	\$ 894,698.20
6	Blois Construction	\$ 898,525.25
7	*Dominguez General Engineering, Inc.	\$ 908,626.00
8	*Toro Enterprises, Inc.	\$ 928,174.00
9	*Vido Artukovich & Son, Inc./Vidmar Inc.	\$ 950,048.00
10	MNR Construction, Inc.	\$ 961,869.28
11	+Tejon Constructors, Inc.	\$ 968,991.00
	*+J. De Sigio Construction, Inc.	\$1,007,564.00
13	E. J. Meyer Company	\$1,011,111.00
14	DDH Apple Valley Construction, Inc.	\$1,011,170.00
15	Mike Bubalo Construction Company, Inc.	\$1,092,598.00
16	Downing Construction, Inc.	\$1,136,807.20
17	T.B.U., Inc.	\$1,149,821.00
18	Vido Samarzich, Inc.	\$1,163,330.00
19	*EAR Engineering, Construction & Support Services	\$1,202,585.00
20	Minco Construction	\$1,298,598.00
21	+United Engineering & Construction, Inc.	\$1,468,718.40
22	*CJW Construction, Inc.	\$1,506,882.80

\*MWBE +LSBE

## **FINANCIAL INFORMATION:**

Amount of estimate including the		
Consultant Services Agreement	\$1,214,372.00	
Amount of Consultant Services Agreement	\$ 8,500.00	
Amount of recommended contract**	\$ 664,450.00	
Amount of recommended contract		
and Consultant Services Agreement below estimate	\$ 541,422.00	

The amount of recommended contract including the Consultant Services Agreement is 45 percent below the estimate.

\*\*On November 8, 2011, Agenda Item 25, your Board authorized the Director of Public Works or her designee to award and execute a Consultant Services Agreement with the apparent responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid to prepare a baseline construction schedule and environmental plans for \$8,500. The amount of the recommended contract award of \$664,450 represents the amount of the lowest responsive bid with the cost of the Consultant Services Agreement subtracted from it.

Funding for this project is included in the Fiscal Year 2011-12 Accumulative Capital Outlay Fund of the Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40, Antelope Valley (N64).

#### MINORITY/WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE DATA:

Sully-Miller Contracting Company has no MWBE subcontractors/suppliers under this contract.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:**

On November 8, 2011, Agenda Item 25, your Board found this project categorically exempt.

# **CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE:**

The contract specifications require the work to be completed in 70 working days. It is estimated the work will start in April 2012 and be completed in July 2012.

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